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THE RAJPUT REGIMENTAL CENTRE
FATEHGARH (UP)
31 Mar 57

To

The Adjutant General (PS-8)
ARMY HEADQUARTERS
DHQ PO NEW DELHI-11

Subject:- COLOURS

Reference your letter No 51991/1/AG/PS-8 dated 2 Mar 56 and this office letter No 26/1/A dated 8 Jan 57.

1 The proposals for the new Colours of the Centre and the battalions of the Rajput Regiment alongwith relevant comments duly approved by the Colonel of the Regiment are herewith submitted.

GENERAL COMMENTS

2 (a) A ruling is required in connection with the use of Devnagri script for the battle honours, the name of battalion/Regiment and other inscriptions on the Colours. English script is being retained until a ruling to the contrary is given.

(b) It is recommended that all battle honours should be retained as historical record. We as a gallant and proud nation should not be sensitive to the factual past which is our heritage. A list of battle honours which may be repugnant to Indian sentiments have been listed but it is urged that the battle honours pertaining to the Defence of DELHI and LUCKNOW and theatres of operation eg GOOJERAT, PUNJAB, CENTRAL INDIA should be retained.

(c) Award of President's isignia is merited vide Para 5 of Index 2 attached and must be included in the top right corner of the new Regimental Colours.

(d) The motto "BARHE CHALO" is being adopted as a Regimental motto as depicted in the drawing at Exhibit 'C' attached, in the Centre Colour as well as all the battalion Colours.

(e) Since the Regimental Crest which will be in the Centre of the Colour, includes the inscriptions "The Rajput Regiment", therefore it need not be repeated in the scroll which should contain the serial number of the battalion viz 4th Battalion, 14th Battalion, The Rajput Regimental Centre and so on. Please refer to the Colour drawing at Exhibit 'C' attached for ease of understanding.

3 The comments on the proposals of different battalions (attached in original) are set out below.

2nd Bn The Rajput Regiment

(a) Para 1 of the proposal

A copy of photo stat of the existing colour of 2 RAJPUT is attached at Exhibit 'D'.

(b) Para 4 of the proposal

It is recommended that the back ground of the new Colour of 2 RAJPUT should be saffron and not black as suggested by the unit.

(c) Para 6 of the proposal

Battle honours of 2 RAJPUT are inscribed on their Colour as will be seen from the attached photograph.

(d) Para 7 of the proposal

In addition to battle honours already mentioned in this paragraph, the following battle honours may also please be taken out from 2 RAJPUT Colour as these are also considered repugnant to the Indian sentiments.

DEIG, MAHARAJPORE, MOODKEE, ALIWAL, CHILLIANWALLAH.

5 3rd Bn The Rajput Regiment

It is recommended that the undermentioned battle honours which are repugnant to Indian sentiments may please be taken out from 3 RAJPUT Colour.

MOODKEE, ALIWAL, FEROZESHAH, SOBRAON.

6 4th Bn The Rajput Regiment

(a) Para 2 of the proposal

A copy of the photo stat of the existing Colour of 4 RAJPUT is attached as Exhibit 'F'.

(b) Para 4 of the proposal

It is recommended that only the following battale honours ~~km~~ be taken out from 4 RAJPUT Colour.

DEIG, BHARATPORE, MAHARJPORE, MOODKEE, FEROZESHAH, ALIWAL, SOBRAON, CHILLIANWALLAH.

(c) Para 5 of the proposal

Back ground colour of the existing Colour of 4 RAJPUT is black which should be saffron in the new Colour.

7 14th Bn The Rajput Regiment

(a) Brief history of 14 RAJPUT is forwarded as desired vide para 7 (b) of Army HQ letter No 51991/1/AG/PS8 dated 2 Mar 56. A design sketch of the proposed Colour received from 14 RAJPUT is also forwarded as Exhibit 'G' attached.

(b) The design of wreath is not correct (ie Ashoka leaves and lotus).

8 17th Bn The Rajput Regiment

Brief history of 17 RAJPUT is forwarded as Appendix 'A' to Index 7 attached.

9 19th Bn The Rajput Regiment (BIKANER)

(a) Para 11 of the proposal

It is recommended that the back ground of the new Colour of 19 RAJPUT should be saffron for uniformity in the Regimental Colours of the Regiment.

(b) Para 12 of the proposal

The Regimental motto 'BARHE CHALO' should be adopted.

(c) Para 10 of the proposal

The battalion may be allowed to retain its old Regimental Colour in miniature size on right hand top corner of the new colour. In case the President's insignia is awarded the old Colour in miniature size can be included in the top left hand corner.

10 20th Bn The Rajput Regiment (JODHPUR)

(a) Para 3(c) of the proposal

The Regimental motto "BARHE CHALO" should be adopted.

(b) The battalion may be allowed to retain its old Regimental Colours in miniature size on right hand top corner of the new Colour. In case the President's insignia is awarded the old Colour in Miniature size can be included in the top left hand corner.

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